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## BC Marijuana Party overgrowing the government!

SGA/AGE Welcomes Marc Emery, "Prince of Pot" to the Pub DownUnder



Picture at left: Marc Emery, BC Marijuana Party President

**M**arc is the publisher of Cannabis Culture magazine, the producer of Pot-TV and founder of Hemp BC and the Cannabis Cafe. He is also a distributor of marijuana seeds through Marc EmeryDirect. Marc lives in the West End of Vancouver-Burrard, at 535 Nicola St.

Marc is 43 years old and moved to Vancouver in 1994. He is the father of four grown sons. From 1975 to 1992 he was a bookseller and owner of the City Lights Bookshop in London, Ontario, where he initiated a number of "freedom crusades." His activities included freedom of speech campaigns, tax revolts, fighting Sunday shopping laws and marijuana prohibition.

In 1994 Marc founded Vancouver's Hemp BC, which quickly grew to include a

"grow shop," the Cannabis Cafe, Cannabis Culture Magazine, and Marc Emery Direct Marijuana Seeds. Marc began to draw international attention, and Hemp BC was raided by police in January, 1996, shortly after Marc was on the front page of the Wall Street Journal. The second raid came in December 1997, and Marc was forced to sell Hemp BC and the Cannabis Cafe. Two more raids under the new ownership forced Hemp BC to close down.

Marc's been in jail eight times for marijuana, and been raided four times for up to \$600,000 dollars in assets. He's been convicted of trafficking in marijuana seeds, and of giving a small piece of hash to American tourists.

Marc served as a Marijuana Party candidate for the 2000 federal election in Vancouver Centre, receiving over 1000 votes.

## Emery and BC Marijuana Party Platform

**T**he BC Marijuana Party recognizes the supremacy of the individual over the state.

We believe that this condition is best protected by each individuals' right to in life, liberty, and property. We further purport the principle of self-ownership. This right guarantees individuals full control over their bodies. This means that each individual has the right to decide what does, and does not, enter their bodies. And, accordingly, each individual is responsible for their bodies and those substances they choose to put in their bodies.

### Justice

We favour responsible community policing. We back the creation of independent police commissions province-wide – that will hold police to the highest ethical standards.

The police exist to serve citizens; they should be held to higher standards than average citizens to make sure that that is the case.

We favour the creation a provincial police force, effectively removing the RCMP from British Columbia.

We support the re-prioritization of police resources based on demonstrable harm to others.

This means offences like murder, rape, robbery, and property crime will be made top priorities while non-harmful offences like marijuana production, sale, and possession will largely be ignored.

We propose that the Attorney General of BC remove provincial funding for enforcement and prosecution of marijuana offences.

We propose an end to sovereign immunity for police and government officials.

Police and government officials will be tried for criminal offences like everyone else.

We support the concept of "Restorative Justice" being introduced as an alternative for victims of crime to pursue satisfaction and resolution of con-

flicts.

### Government

We will implement a system of proportional representation in the British Columbia legislature. To do this we will take the current 79 BC ridings and re-draw them along the lines of the 34 federal ridings that currently exist in BC.

Then we would add another 34 seats, awarded according to the "favourite party" vote, for a total of 68 seats, 11 less than the current 79. That means 11 less politicians with expensive salaries and pensions. The new seats would represent roughly 2% of the popular vote.

We support the creation of a viable ballot initiative system in BC, which would allow for more grassroots participation and direct democracy.

### Constitutional

We will begin a campaign to entrench private property rights in Canada's Charter of Rights and Freedoms.

This will strengthen the Charter by protecting individuals against abuses like property search and seizure.

### Women and Family

Petition the federal government to legalize prostitution by creating a regulatory framework for licensing brothels.

This will have the effect of reducing unsafe street prostitution by making the sex trade industry legitimate and safe – by giving it protection under the law.

Reallocate police resources towards fighting rape, murder, and other crimes that effect women, while making prostitution a low enforcement priority.

We would end the policy that sees children seized from parents who grow marijuana.

### Fiscal Policy

We oppose the introduction of any new taxes.

Ending the War on Marijuana will save millions in

government spending, which will be returned to BC taxpayers in the form of tax cuts.

The provincial government should not ban people from spending their money as they choose, which includes gambling at regulated casinos.

End the ICBC monopoly on car insurance.

### Labour Policy

We will suspend or repeal all regulations that work to limit the ability of the private sector to compete with government-regulated monopolies should public sector employees chose to exercise their right to strike.

The BCMP supports the right of labour unions to strike, however when public service monopolies strike the public should have choice.

Therefore we support private competition during a strike by any public service monopoly.

If the doctors strike we support private healthcare delivery by accredited physicians.

### Firearms Policy

We strongly oppose Ottawa's Gun Registry. Under a BC Marijuana Party government the Attorney General of BC would not prosecute or lay charges relating to the non-registration of firearms. We would actively lobby Ottawa to repeal the National Firearms Registry.

### School

We support the initiation of a voucher system for the school system.

Parents should be afforded the choice of what school their child attends.

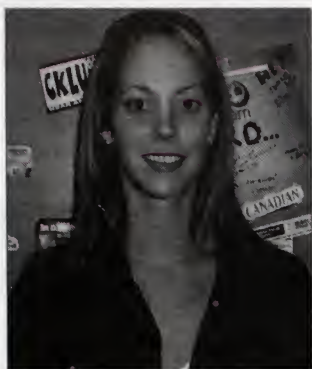
To do this we would give parents an educational credit equivalent to the cost of their child's education in a public school, which they could use towards a private or alternate school of their choice.

We demand the immediate removal of all DARE programs and other police-sponsored education programs from all government-run schools.



# In Your Own Words

## International Students Deserve More Respect than what they are Given



By: Stephanie Worton  
Editor in Chief

I'm going to start this article by clearly stating that what you are about to read is entirely my own opinion. I have based this opinion on what I have seen, heard, discovered, and well, what I feel. So to those of you, who disagree with what I'm saying, or hey, may even be able to prove me wrong, please feel free to do so.

Now with that said, I feel it is my turn to say what I think about the article in the Northern Life concerning discrimination and racism towards International students. But that is not all I want to talk about. So keep reading, and you'll find out.

Craig Gilbert, the journalist who wrote the article in the February 27<sup>th</sup> edition of the Northern Life, was not, in my opinion, out of line, nor did he do a horrible job. Whether you like it or not, he covered his ass by getting both sides of the story. And I know some of you may disagree, but just stop and think for a second. An International student who had concerns with how she was being treated approached him. Not doing his job would have meant he wrote the article without consulting anyone else. But may I remind you, he did contact, and present Melissa Keeping's side of the story. And for those of you, who don't know, she works for Laurentian International. So, could someone please explain to me what part of his job he didn't do?

And for those of you who's opinion is that he should have gotten the names of the professors who were supposedly being racist and such, give me a break. Yeah, that would have made the student's life so much better! "Hey, Professor So and So, this student says you're racist, what do you think?" Oh yeah, that'd fix the problem.

And keeping with this topic, I know some people were wondering why the Lambda did not

report on the story before the local media did.

Well, please let me clarify as to why. This student, who was obviously feeling very uncomfortable in the Laurentian environment, did not approach the Lambda with her concerns. But why would she? It is this environment in which she feels discriminated, so why the hell would she go to the **LAURENTIAN** paper for help? Honestly, I do not blame her for going to an outside source to talk. If it were me, I would have done the same thing. So for those of you whose pride, ego or whatever is hurt, why don't you try putting yourself in her shoes?

Now on to my next venting session. Although it somewhat deals with the same topic, it is still quite different. For those of you who are not aware, at Laurentian's Regent St. residence, there are roughly fifty International EAP students, living and taking classes. I know it may not seem like a big deal, but please, keep reading. When the EAP program began in May 2001, it was located on the Laurentian campus. But in the summer of 2003, it was decided that the course would be relocated to Regent St. But here is why I am somewhat disgusted to be a Laurentian student.

It all started last November, when I decided to pay a visit to the "school". And after I left, I was so upset and in disbelief, that I immediately returned to the main campus and started doing some digging.

And this is what I discovered. Cambrian College's Nursing program used to be based at the Residence, but over a year ago, they were moved back onto the Cambrian campus. Since the classrooms were not being used, they were boarded up. But when it was decided to move the EAP program there, they simply took the boards down. Now, I'm not a building or health inspector, but I did contact a few, and protocol was not followed. No health inspector was called, and no building inspector was called. Now call me crazy, but I wouldn't even put my cats in a room, that has been boarded up, that has no windows, and no ventilation system, but that's just me. Also, written in the outline of the program is the one-hour a day of computer work the students must complete. But lone behold, the computer lab was nowhere to be found. I later found out it was installed a week before Christmas vacation. Yeah, that's helpful.

When I was at the Residence, I had the opportunity to meeting with the EAP students to find out how they felt about where they were. And most felt alienated from the University, that they were not receiving the same treatment as the rest

of the students. Whereas the Laurentian campus has the Great Hall and the Science cafeteria, these students have Memorial hospitals' cafeteria.

Yummy! Upon moving into campus residences, students' conveniently have immediate access to phone and internet lines. The EAP students have to do it themselves, nor is it included in the cost of their tuition. Also, a few of the International students were abandoned in Toronto, not knowing where to go, and when they finally did arrive at the Sudbury bus depot, nobody was there to greet them, as they were promised. They even drafted a list of their concerns, which was promptly sent to the Laurentian International, but surprise, surprise, they were ignored.

From what I've been told on many occasions, the university does not view these students as Laurentian students because they only have a conditional acceptance into the school based upon successful completion of the EAP program. Okay, I understand that, but if they aren't LU students and don't have to be treated the same way, could someone please explain to me why so much money is spent recruiting these students to our school? You can't honestly tell me they just accidentally open a book and say, "Ooh, I want to go to Laurentian!" Now, I know for a fact that money is spent on sending Laurentian representatives to various countries to recruit these students. So how dare we say they don't have the same rights as LU students? After talking to the students and reading the information that is available online about international recruitment, it sickens me to know that we have lied to get these students here, then we segregate them. They spend over \$3000 a semester, and for what? They get no interaction with Canadian students except for with their teachers and the few Canadians that live at the residence, they are not taught how to integrate into our Canadian lifestyle, and we are supposed to be pleased with how we treat our International students?

All I can say is that I was in no way surprised to see that article in the Northern Life. In my opinion, it's about time someone listened to them, because god knows, they deserve at least that for what we have given them in return. Oh and by the way, those of you who say Sudbury is not a Multicultural city, here's Sudbury's Multicultural Association's phone number: 674-0795. Give them a call and maybe you could learn a few things.

## The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly

By: Name Withheld  
lookforwardnow@hotmail.com

I'd heard a rumour awhile back that made me laugh, but now I'm starting to think it's a little more than true and a little less than funny. The story goes like this: there is a prof on campus who, instead of wasting time marking his class papers, simply throws them down the stairs. The ones that land on the highest stairs, get the highest marks, the ones that land on the lowest stairs... you get the point. Sounds ridiculous, right? Well I guess the answer is in your latest returned paper. Look over it for a minute, how many marks are on it? I don't mean spelling corrections (don't forget, our profs are not our elementary English teachers) but solid and constructive criticisms. Sadly, I wouldn't be surprised if some of you answered 'no comments, but I got a B!'. My reply? 'Great! Guess you were somewhere on the middle stair.'

Now, logically, I can't imagine any profs actually using the (if you will) 'stair method' because, if you think about it, there would just be too many wrinkles in the paper to iron out after the 'marking' was completed. I do however, find it astonishing that one person can accurately mark

50, 10-page papers in one week. (That's 500 pages of reading! - and some of us can't even find the time to read handouts before the next class.) Now obviously teachers are expected to return our work in an efficient amount of time, but that's super-speed. The only thing that I would expect is to get my 1<sup>st</sup> paper back (with constructive comments), before having to hand in my 2<sup>nd</sup>, otherwise how would you expect me to improve? That's the idea: if my work doesn't get marked properly, how will I develop, and if I'm not developing then why am I here? I mean that's the point of university right; to come in a young, bright mind and leave a well-rounded, educated individual ready to enter [insert booming voice] 'the real world'.

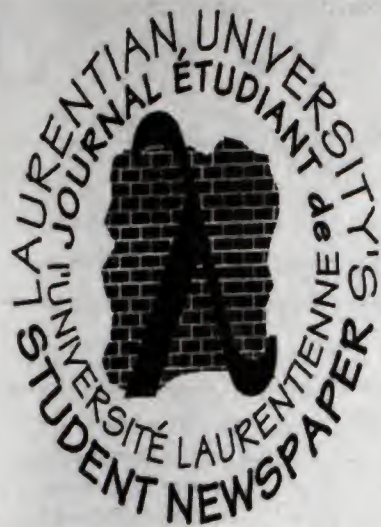
So, back on track, why aren't some profs performing as well as they should, inside the classroom and out? A few ideas: stress, lack of enthusiastic students (does lack of enthusiastic teachers give us an excuse?), fatigue, boredom, lack of interest, \_\_\_\_\_ (teacher: please insert your own). These are all valid reasons; I mean how interesting can the history of anything actually be after 5 or 10 years? But if a prof were to adopt this point of view, how interested do you think their students would be? That's part of what it

means to be a good teacher; to know how to present material to an audience in an interesting and informative way. Our teachers need to be able to do this to keep a growing number of students attracted to their respective subjects and to keep this an enlightening institution. When I get an essay back, basically, I want it to be thoroughly graded, and when I go to class, I want to be enticed to learn.

Now let me take a moment to save my own ass. The only way I could have these views is by being taught by teachers that do encourage me to grow academically, and thankfully there is an abundance of them. (You'll know you've gotten a good one when you want to stay till the end of a class, even if it is a night class.) It is true that every teacher has their own teaching style, and that the high-quality ones are able to adapt their methods for their audience, so we return once again to the idea that the teacher who needs improvement could begin with a healthy dose of enthusiasm.

Enthusiasm, passion, zest, gusto - whatever you call it, unfortunately there are teachers out there who have lost it. So please, get it to them fast, otherwise I fear that the grading of our papers may start to include a staircase and a good throwing arm.





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## Ask Alli: The In-House Advice Guru

**D**ear Alli:

I can't believe that I am writing to you about this, well I mean I just can't believe I am writing to anyone about this! I know that this is confidential and it is also a little less confrontational than going to speak to someone in person.

Anyway, the reason I am writing is because I have recently been struggling a lot with my identity as a female. I am a lesbian and very much comfortable with it, and most of my close friends know about it. However, more and more recently I am feeling more masculine, well what I mean is that I wish to dress more as a male than a female. The lesbian part did not seem to surprise nor upset my friends or family so much, but I am afraid that if I start dressing like a guy that they might act a little more shocked or afraid to be seen with me, especially in a place like Sudbury, we are fairly sheltered here. I am not sure how to tell them or even if I should go with my feelings, if you have any suggestions or feedback it would be much appreciated.

**A**lli's Response

Your honesty is much appreciated in bringing forth such a hidden issue. From the research that I have done and literature that I have read on this topic your feelings are very normal and it is also okay to feel a little hesitant about confronting those who are close to you; more so about an issue so sensitive.

There are a couple things coming out for me in your comments. The first one I thought I would touch on is this whole issue of gender and sexuality. Our common assumptions are that only 2 biological sexes exist in our world, male and female and you have to fit into either one or the other. There is no room for grey areas. We define these sexes based on the anatomical differences that males and females possess and it is through these types of definitions that we also define personhood (Reiland, 2001). However, Reiland (2001) asserts that when we concentrate solely on these anatomical differences we leave out who the actual person is, and who the soul is behind the gender. In this context gender could be seen as socially constructed to create the hierarchical differences that exist between males and females (Reiland, 2001).

So to connect these types of ideas with the

way you are feeling, perhaps it is not so much that you are feeling more masculine per say, but perhaps the way you feel and dress is only representative of the labels society has created to define what is male and what is female. Meanwhile for you it could be simply the way you feel most comfortable and perhaps it has no connection with gender at all. Furthermore, the way you have presented yourself to this point, as feminine, was maybe just a role you felt you needed to fulfill based on social control?

The second part I would like to comment on is the fact that you live in a more northern rural environment where having these types of discussions might not settle well with family members and friends. Tobin and Anonymous (1996) state that many lesbian women feel extremely frustrated that they cannot identify themselves, their feelings and stories in Northern Ontario. So your fears and frustrations about not being able to share these feelings with your friends right away are not only valid, but you share them with an entire community within this area. Tobin and Anonymous (1996) assert that it is as a result of homophobic assumptions about lesbianism that causes many women to feel reluctant in sharing their stories. Perhaps however, your perceived feelings of masculinity have nothing to do at all with your identity as a lesbian. Perhaps these feelings are simply a part of who you are as an individual. However, as a result of homophobia, and heterosexism these feelings of masculinity certainly feed into stereotypes of what lesbians look or act like.

Although the feedback I have given you, may not provide any solid, or concrete answers it may help you to see the issue you are struggling with in a slightly different light.

You might also want to access Pride LU Services; perhaps there will be some helpful literature or even individuals who have been through similar situations.

Again thanks for your honest sharing and I wish you the best of luck!

**LU Pride Centre is located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor of the RD Parker Building (number not available)**

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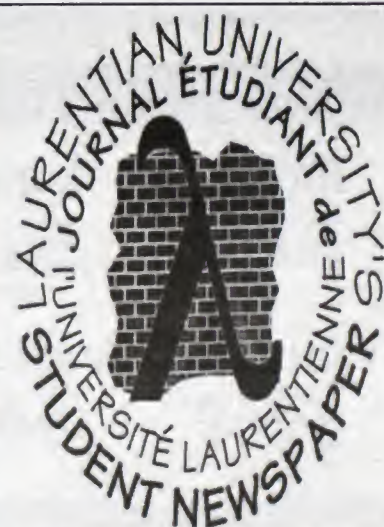
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# Oh, the Infamous 'F' Word

By: Taryn Verde  
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Does anyone really know what the 'F' word stands for? Do you really know what exactly it means? It is used quite often in today's society, especially since the turn of the 20th Century when changes had to be made and it was being used more frequently. However, I think it is used too lightly and is often dismissed as a very controversial and even awful word. I don't think that is the case because it can be a wonderful word when used in the right context.

Feminism. That's it. (What word did you think I was talking about?)

Okay. Fine. Turn the page. Read the next article. I am just another feminist lobbying for women's rights, right? Well don't draw your conclusions too quickly, do you even know what a feminist is? To tell you the truth, I wasn't even clear on what a feminist was myself, automatically assuming that I did not fit under that category, saying, "I don't really care". I was quite ignorant about the whole issue, until I participated in a discussion with a group of my friends (both male and female) when one of my female friends stated, "Basically, all women are feminists!"

She was right, it wasn't that I didn't care, because I did, I was just afraid to associate myself with one of those outspoken feminists. But what I did not realize was that there were many different

types of feminism and many have the misconception that being a feminist means being a **radical** feminist. Yes, folks, there is a difference.

So I went rifling through my first year Intro to Sociology textbook for some clear-cut definitions and this is what I came up with:

**Feminism** is the belief that women and men are equal and that they should be valued equally and have equal rights. Both men and women embrace this belief.

**Radical Feminism** believes that all forms of human oppression (racism and classism) are due to male domination and that this oppression is deliberate. Thus, radical feminists believe that if the condition of women is to improve, patriarchy must be abolished. Basically, this type of feminist fights to be more superior to the male sex, eliminating the whole point of fighting for equality between sexes in the first place.

A large percentage of both males and females believe, then, in gender equality. Going out into the working world it would seem very unfair if a woman, who has the same qualifications as a man, gets hired but with lower pay. This still happens today. Would I be wrong in saying that this woman has a right to speak up and fight for equality? Even women who are determined to train themselves in professions that are more catered towards the male gender, like a firefighter, or a soldier at war; if they are trained properly and pass the physical strength

testing involved, there is no reason why they should be held back.

What about males who want to be kindergarten teachers, nurses or secretaries – they all deserve to be there as much as any woman does. Anyone can do anything if they really believe in themselves, regardless of the gender socialization barriers that society has put in place. The word feminism or feminist should be equated with the fight for equality and not a fight to stomp all over the face of the opposite sex.

It is not a horribly bad thing to have a guy open the door for a woman on a date, or even to buy a girl lunch once and a while. I know most women realize that going to dinner and a movie can get quite costly these days, and men definitely are not made out of money, especially being a student. Don't feel ashamed if us females offer to split the tab or even pick up the whole tab on the next date — It is only fair, and besides it is always nice to do something for another person.

Most women will admit that they do like to be treated like women every once and a while and I think most men enjoy treating women like goddesses, acting as a strong protector and a heroic prince charming (nope, nothing wrong with that!). Both sexes have much strength, and it is a matter of how well you use that strength in the appropriate ways in order to fight for the equality that either sex deserves.

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# So Many Events, So Little Time!

By: John "Doc" Livingstone  
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I've got a tonne of cool Laurentian Off Campus Students' news to talk about this issue. Or maybe just two things. I guess it depends how you define tonne. First off I'm gonna push LOCS formal. It's definitely going to be as fun as a barrel of monkeys. Maybe even a barrel and a half of super intelligent Planet of the Apes monkeys. Just don't call them monkeys, it makes Zira mad. (P.S. I hate you, Tim Burton.) We've got a whole host of fun stuff to do that night. Which, by the way is Saturday the twenty seventh of March. Besides the obvious, eating and consuming of fermented liquids, we'll have an awesome D.J. and dancing all night long.

Plus, we'll be giving out oodles of prizes. That's right oodles. As an added bonus John the photographer will be there. He'll be taking pictures of singles couples and groups for a reasonable fee. He's the same guy that does the grad photos and is uber awesome. He takes a bunch of pictures, shows them to you and lets you pick the one you like best before printing it. That reminds me, the theme colours for LOCS formal will be blue, gold and red. So if you want to match, or not, pick your dress appropriately. I say dress because I know guys

don't care. We'll just show up in the same suit we wear to every formal event and look good doing it. If you still have not picked up your ticket we've got some left and they can be picked up in the SGA office. The last day to buy them will be Wednesday March twenty fourth. But don't count on tickets being there that long as they are selling quite fast.

The other super important thing I need to talk about is Laurentian Off Campus Students' elections. Whooo, elections! They will be coming up very shortly; I just don't know the exact date off-hand. What I do know is we desperately need a secretary. Please, some one, be our secretary. Having minutes from LOCS meetings would make these articles six hundred times easier to write. We also need people for a bunch of other positions like sports rep and social rep. But we've no need for a media dude, that position is filled by a guy who is not only doing a kick ass job of it but is also very handsome, charismatic and generally desirable. Seriously though, if you want to run for LOCS council contact us at: [locs@laurentian.ca](mailto:locs@laurentian.ca) and we'll give you some more info.

We're always interested in people who want to help and will find a position for anyone who wants to be a part of the LOCS team. While I'm harping on elections I just want to

push SGA/AGE elections too. It's really important that everyone, who is eligible, votes in the SGA/AGE elections. The winners of the SGA/AGE election will be representing you to administration, other universities and the city; they'll also be spending your money all year long.

This year's executive was really good, unlike those lazy bastards we had last year, and if you want to keep up the trend you really need to go out and vote. Alternatively, if you want to see a major regime change let your voice be heard through the polls. In an electorate as small as Laurentian every vote really does count so use your vote to tell the SGA/AGE what you want done next year. And that goes for the AEF and ALPS too. Let me tell you, if you don't vote crazy stuff happens. I'm not going to mock any university in particular but by not voting small political blocks are allowed to take over student associations and spread discord.

So to sum up, buy your formal tickets soon for a guaranteed good time, run for LOCS elections and vote in the SGA/AGE elections, or whatever elections you can vote in.

Until next time,  
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## STUDENTS OFFERED OVER \$500,000 IN CASH AND AWARDS FOR SHARING VISIONS ON IMPROVING CANADA

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This year, the As Prime Minister Awards program calls upon full-time undergraduate or graduate students from colleges, universities, or CEGEPs across Canada to prepare an essay answering the question:

**"If you were the Prime Minister of Canada, what political vision would you offer to improve our living standards and ensure a secure and prosperous global community?"**

Now in its tenth year,

the program has grown consistently in popularity year over year; over 500 students from across the country participated in the 2003 program.

All entries are judged on the merit of innovative and workable solutions along with a demonstration of commitment to community and leadership abilities. From the entries, 50 semi-finalists are chosen and invited to present their essays before an independent adjudication panel. From the 50, 10 finalists and an overall national winner are selected based upon their ability to express new, solution-driven ideas.

The deadline for essays is June 4, 2004. Program details are available through [www.asprimeminister.com](http://www.asprimeminister.com) or by calling 1-866-AS-THE-PM.

All winning student essays are published in a special book entitled @stake "As Prime Minister, I Would..."

## MIRARCO, Goldcorp Inc., Placer Dome Inc., Showcase Red Lake Mines with Virtual Reality Demonstrations at PDAC 2004

At the upcoming International Convention, Trade Show and Investors Exchange hosted by the Prospectors and Developers Association of Canada (PDAC), Laurentian University's Mining Innovation, Rehabilitation and Applied Research Corporation (MIRARCO) is joining with Goldcorp Inc. (G:TSX) and Placer Dome Inc. (PDG:TSX) to give virtual reality (VR) demonstrations profiling their Red Lake properties in 3D stereo.

On a 20-foot wide screen, the demos will show how immersive collaboration enables companies to better comprehend and thus extract more value from their data. Demos will take place hourly in the Metro Toronto Convention Centre, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., on Monday, March 8, with Placer Dome, and on Tuesday, March 9, with Goldcorp. Admission is free, but seating is limited. RSVP at the

MIRARCO booth in the Ontario pavilion, block #1300 or for more information stop by the Placer Dome booth #2504 or Goldcorp booths #2719 and #2721.

MIRARCO initiated the application of this technology in a research context in the mining industry and now, together with Goldcorp and Placer Dome, is building an on-site facility at an active mining camp in Red Lake, Ontario. It is hoped that the Red Lake Virtual Reality Studio will help companies better understand mines and identify future exploration and operation opportunities.

MIRARCO is pioneering the use of VR in the mining industry, with the goal of making this technology as accessible and affordable as possible. Concurrently, MIRARCO is developing the capability to connect these facilities for seamless cross-country collaboration for R&D and exploration mine planning reviews.

## Laurentian University Hosts March Break Program

From March 15 to 19, Laurentian University will host its annual March Break Programs. Secondary school students interested in learning more about Laurentian are welcome to come for campus and residence tours, meet with Liaison staff, and talk to professors in their areas of interest.

The Monday, March 15 session will be held in English, while the one presented on Friday, March 19 will be in French. All activities will be based in the Alphonse Raymond Building.

This event will enable secondary school students from all parts of Ontario to gain valuable information about Laurentian University. During this day of information, which will run from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Laurentian representatives will offer practical information for parents and students. There will also be an info fair on student services, mini-lectures, transition panels, visits to academic departments, campus and residence tours, and a free lunch.

Campus tours and information will also be available through Liaison Services

during the March Break (March 15-19). About 800 students and parents will take part in its March Break program.

"Please take advantage of this opportunity to explore our beautiful campus, tucked into the Canadian Shield," explained Dr. Judith Woodsworth, President of Laurentian University. "Visit our classrooms, homey residences, marvellous athletic facilities, the beautiful library, the student centre, and all that we have to offer. Our students, alumni, faculty and staff will be on hand and will be happy to answer any questions you may have. So, look us over, ask questions, make yourself at home - we want you to feel that Laurentian is your university. Then, we'll welcome you back in the Fall - as one of us."

Last year, about 700 secondary school students and guests, mainly from outside the Sudbury area, took part in Laurentian's March Break program. The value of this activity is reflected in the fact that 70% of participating students registered at Laurentian University in September 2003.

## Laurentian Student Wins Provincial Achievement Award for her Leadership

Kim Nicholl, a third-year Human Kinetics student at Laurentian University, is one of two recipients of the 2003-2004 Province of Ontario - Postsecondary Student Leadership Award from the Canadian Intramural and Recreation Association (CIRA). This award recognizes individuals actively involved in campus recreation programs at the postsecondary level in Ontario. Kim is the second Laurentian student to receive this award.

Last year's award was claimed by LU Sports Administration student Deanna Nicholls. Kim Nicholl, who hails from Tottenham, a city near Newmarket, qualified for this coveted award by demonstrating outstanding leadership and creativity in promoting and marketing the Department of Active Living's Intramural Program.

While ensuring that all students have access to the intramural schedule, she published over the course of the academic year a permanent column for the intramural program in Laurentian's student newspaper Lambda. This series of informational articles ensured

that students had access to either sport-specific or general intramural sports information. Ms. Nicholl also contributed to the Department of Active Living's "Students Mentoring Students" initiative. As an upper-year "expert," she has mentored both first- and second-year students who work with Laurentian's Intramural Program. The mentor assists junior students with scheduling, policy, rules and regulation development, as well as day-to-day trouble shooting. This student interaction has substantially reduced the learning curve for new students to the program and fostered more ownership/loyalty among these students.

As a recipient of the CIRA Postsecondary Student Leadership Award, Ms. Nicholl received a plaque, a cash award of \$100 and a one-year membership to the Canadian Intramural and Recreation Association. She will also be featured in an upcoming issue of Input, this Association's magazine.

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# DISCORDIA @ LAURENTIAN

By Chas Anselmo

Lambda Contributor

So the year is quickly coming to a close and time becomes more and more precious as term papers and examinations begin to rear their ugly heads. However, the SGA/AGE has lined up one event that every student should make time to attend.

On Thursday, March 18th, 2004, the SGA/AGE is proud to present "Discordia" in the Brenda Wallace Reading Room at 2:30pm. Well, I know you are asking yourselves what on earth is "Discordia"? On September 8th, 2002, an event that would forever change student politics occurred at Concordia University in Montreal. Former

Prime Minister of Israel, Benjamin Netanyahu arrived on Concordia's campus to address the students and what followed is shown on this documentary. Throughout the film, the directors present the material in a very impartial manner never taking sides but in particular, examining the role of the student union throughout the entire ordeal. It is a great watch for anyone who has heard of the incident, has an interest in student politics, or wants to learn more. An added bonus is the soundtrack is done by Buck 65, one of Canada's premier emerging hip-hop artists. I encourage anyone out there to swing by the room on March 18th to catch "Discordia."

But wait, there is more. After the

screening of the documentary, the directors, Ben Addelman and Samir Mallal will be in attendance for a Q and A session. This is a great opportunity to ask questions about anything that you found intriguing in the documentary.

There you have it. Thursday, March 18th, 2004 in the Brenda Wallace Reading Room at 2:30pm, the SGA/AGE, in conjunction with the National Film Board, will be hosting "Discordia" with directors Ben Addelman and Samir Mallal here on campus at the same time.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact, Chas Anselmo, Vice President – Student Issues.

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# What is A Coochie Snorcher?

By: Taryn Verde  
Lambda Staff

**P**oonani. Powderbox. Dignity. Coochie Snorcher. Gladys Seagelman. Nappy Dugout. Mushmellow. Split Knish. Pussy. Down There. Twat. What do all these names have in common? Apparently they are the different names for vagina. In celebration of our feminine selves, a few friends and I decided to attend the Laurentian University Women's Centre production of Eve Ensler's ***The Vagina Monologues***.

Some of you might blush at the name, I wondered about it myself when I first heard about the play three years ago. Over the years, I have heard of its popularity and good reputation; past productions have featured famous actresses including Susan Sarandon, Winona Ryder, Calista Flockhart, Whoopi Goldberg, Melanie Griffith, Cate Blanchett, Kate Winslet. It first made a name for itself in 1997, but then soon turned into not only nationwide but a worldwide phenomenon, most popular among colleges and universities.

So what is it about *The Vagina Monologues* that has captivated audiences

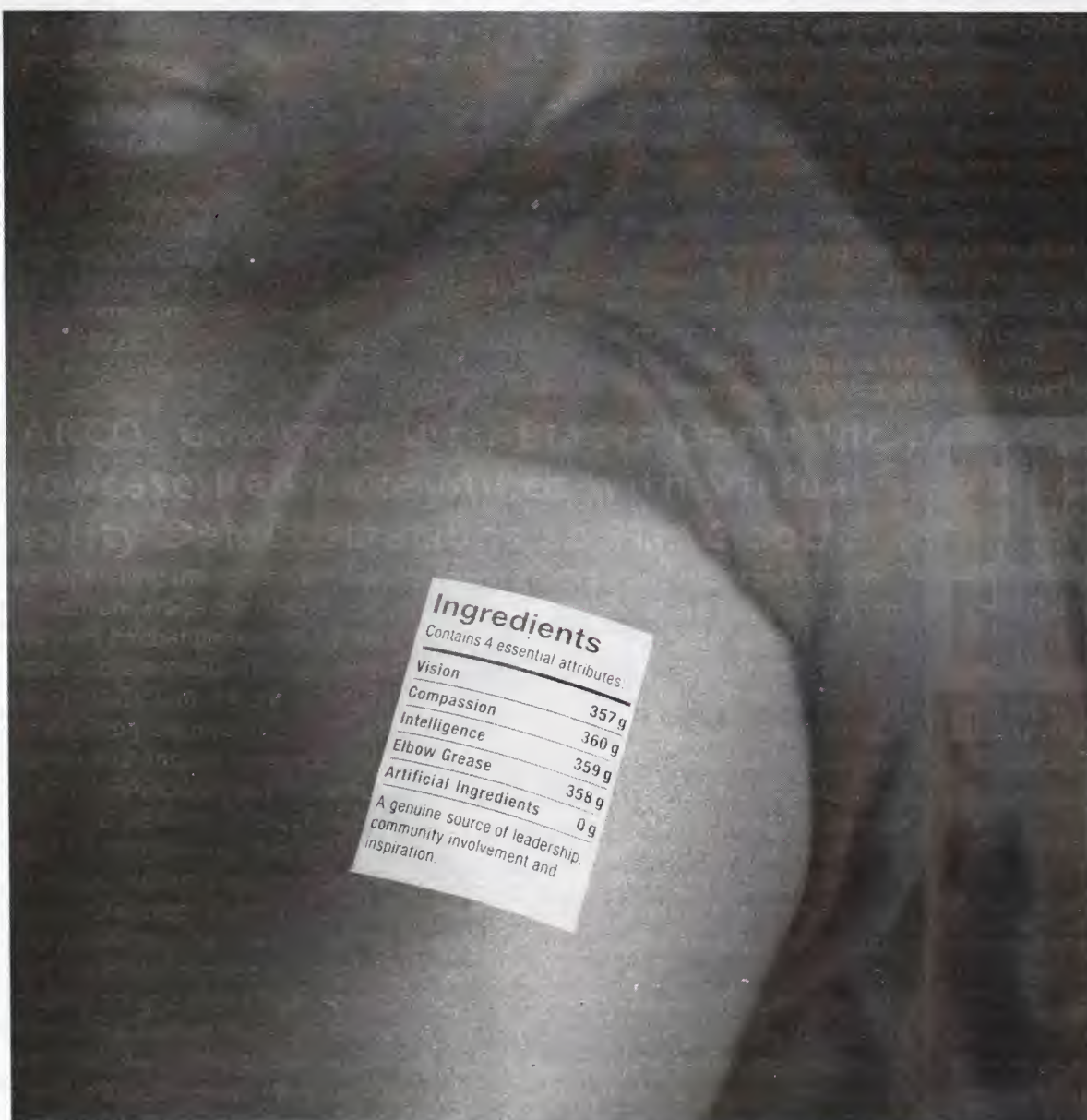
around the world? It speaks out about and explores the many aspects of female sexuality from pleasure to pain and abuse. It is based on interviews Ensler had with about 200 women ranging from ages six to seventy-five and their memories and intimate feelings regarding their vaginas, orgasms, fantasies and the pains of sexual abuse. To date, it has been performed in 20 countries and translated into about 20 languages. *The Vagina Monologues* is linked to V-day ([www.vday.org](http://www.vday.org)), which is a global movement to end violence against women and girls.

There were only two shows playing in the Laurentian University Fraser Auditorium on Friday and Saturday at 8pm and all actresses were not only excellent but Laurentian University students. There was a fantastic turnout on Friday evening and after it was over I was certainly happy that I attended the event. Proceeds from the performance were donated to Foyer Notre Dame, Centre Victoria and The Sudbury Sexual Assault Crisis Centre. Though there were some very serious moments, for the most part these actresses had the audience in tears because we were laughing so hard. With skits like The

Vagina Workshop that asked what would your vagina wear or say, to monologues entitled *The Flood*, *My Angry Vagina*, *The Little Coochie Snorcher That Could*, *Reclaiming Cunt*, and *The Woman Who Loved To Make Vagina's Happy* that, lets just say, had the whole audience buckled over with laughter of orgasmic proportions.

Also to my surprise there were an impressive percentage of men in the audience who seemed to enjoy the production just as much, if not more, than the women, judging by their laughter. With interesting facts and listening to the stories that Ensler gathered from women of different cultures and different ages, every single person in the audience experienced life through the eyes of many women.

From giving birth, to the changes and awkward stages of adolescence, to womanhood, dating, sexual abuse, lesbianism, and even old age, Eve Ensler and the Cast and Crew of Laurentian University did not leave out a single thing and did a very excellent and respectful job. In the end, we all left feeling good about being a woman, and quite frankly, proud about having a Vagina. (I think the men left wishing they had one too!)



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# "Down the Road with the SGA/AGE"



By: Erika Mieto  
SGA/AGE President

This last month of school should prove to be busy. The SGA staff and executive have some great things lined up for our students to wrap up the 2003-2004 school term.

When you get a chance between classes this week or next week, drop by the SGA office to check out our special **SGA WEAR T-SHIRTS**. We have 5 different designs to pick from – logos include: "LU Home to Real Wildlife" (with a photo of our friendly campus fox attached), "LU Putting the French in Kissing" (coupled with a loving set of lips), "LU On the Rocks" (nice little cocktail drink attached), "LU Play the Odds" (characterizing the 3 to 1 female to male ratio), and an LU Barcode. These T-shirt designs come in navy and white, Men and Ladies styles, and cost \$20. We have extended the sale to Friday March 19th – so drop by our office to check out our T-shirt samples.

This Friday March 12th is the deadline for the **TERRI MACMILLAN SCHOLARSHIP**. You have probably seen the advertisement in the last

edition of LAMBDA or perhaps the ads in the Student Centre, or the posting on some of the information boards throughout campus. For more information, please contact our office or drop me an email at [president@sga.laurentian.ca](mailto:president@sga.laurentian.ca).

Also, this Friday March 12th marks the deadline for **NOMINATION FORMS**. If you are interested in running for a position in this year's SGA ELECTION, please have your nomination form picked up from the office and returned with all signatures by 4pm.

Starting Monday March 15th at 4pm, **CAMPAIGN PERIOD FOR ELECTIONS** begins and you should see quite a difference in the appearance of our halls here on campus. Campaign Period is a chance for candidates to get the message out to our students why they are best suited for the job. You can also check out the candidates in action on Thursday March 18th for the first set of **ELECTION SPEECHES**, which will be held at Science 2 Cafeteria at 11:30 AM. The second set of **ELECTION SPEECHES** will be held at the Great Hall Cafeteria on Monday March 22nd at 11:30 AM. This is a great chance to hear what these students can do for you as an SGA representative. Following the speeches students will be given the opportunity to ask candidate(s) questions.

On March 24th and 25th make sure to get out and make your vote count for 2004-2005 SGA ELECTIONS. Polls will be open both Wednesday and Thursday from 9AM to 7:30PM. You can cast your vote at various voting polls located on campus, but please be sure to have your student card with you. For further details regarding the location of voting polls or the voting process please see our website: [www.sga.laurentian.ca](http://www.sga.laurentian.ca).

This Saturday March 13th the SGA will be holding our **FIRST ANNUAL UNIVERSITY WIDE BOWLING TOURNAMENT** at Holiday Lanes in the South End from 3pm to 7pm. Teams of four can sign up for a cost of \$40; this fee includes three tournament games, your shoe rentals, and a welcome gift for your team. Prizes for the top three teams will be awarded. Space is limited, so sign up ASAP at our office.

Come and meet **MARC EMERY** the "Prince of Pot" on Wednesday March 17th at 3pm in the Pub Downunder. He will be speaking to students regarding his activism with the laws about marijuana use, as well as the role of students in political activism.

And on Thursday March 18th the SGA is happy to present a special screening of the documentary film **DISCORDIA** at 2:30PM in the **BRENDA WALLACE READING ROOM**. The film follows the events at Concordia University surrounding Israeli and Palestinian friction. The film will be followed by a question and answer reception with the Directors of the documentary. Please see SGA Vice President Student Issues, Chas Anselmo's article in this issue of **LAMBDA** for further details of the event.

You can get your tickets right now for the show with **HYPNOTIST TONY LEE** at the SGA Office or the Sports Administration Office! Tickets are only \$10 and this show is promised to be a sell out. The event is presented by the School of Sports Administration (SPAD) and the SGA and will be held on Saturday March 20th at 7pm at the GREAT HALL here on campus. This will be a licensed event available to students 18 and over. For more information see the SGA or SPAD.

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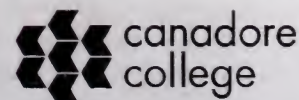
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## National Level Coaching Courses Offered at Laurentian University

The National Coaching Institute of Ontario (NCIO) will be offering National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP) Level 4 courses (tasks 7 and 8) at Laurentian University from April 2 to 4. This is the first time that these courses are offered in Sudbury and in the Near North.

All coaches aspiring to lead athletes at the international level such as the Olympic and Pan American Games and World Championships must be fully certified Level 4 coaches. Both courses will be presented and facilitated by Dr. Robert Schinke, sports psychology professor at Laurentian University. He was, psychologist on Canada's Boxing Team for the 2002 Commonwealth Games and 2003 Pan American Games, has worked at all major games, including the Olympics. Dr. Schinke is involved as a Canadian Mental Training Registered motivational consultant with national teams and professional sport affiliates. A former international equestrian event rider, Dr. Schinke competed at several major competitions such as the World Cup and earned a silver medal at the 1987 Pan American Games.

All Northern Ontario fully certified NCCP Level 3 coaches and those pursuing courses at the Level 4 are invited to register and benefit from this educational and professional development opportunity. During this weekend, the NCIO will offer a course on psychological preparation for coaches (Task 7) and a course on psychological preparation for athletes (Task 8). Topics such as stress management and awareness, self confidence and

resilience will be covered. Coaches will be trained to perform and guide athlete under stressful conditions.

"There are outstanding coaches in the area in various sports such as hockey, wrestling, gymnastics, boxing, basketball, soccer, athletics, figure skating and volleyball who have the potential to lead Canada's best athletes at the international level," explained Dr. Schinke. "By accessing this opportunity in their own back yard, area coaches will improve their tactical and leadership skills. This will greatly benefit our Northern Ontario athletes who are striving to attain the elite level of competition."

This certification program is expected to interest NCCP Level 3 and 4 coaches involved at the university and college level, in junior hockey leagues, as well as those coaching in other regional or provincial associations. It is expected that if Northern Ontario coaches manifest sufficient interest, an ongoing certification program could be developed and offered in Sudbury.

The registration cost is \$300 for both tasks. For more information on the NCCP Level 4 program, please refer to Coaching Association of Canada's website at [www.coach.ca](http://www.coach.ca) or contact Mr. Andy Higgins, Director of the National Coaching Institute Ontario, at (416) 426-7246 or [ahiggins@cscontario.ca](mailto:ahiggins@cscontario.ca).

For more information, please call Dr. Robert Schinke, sports psychology professor at Laurentian University, at (705) 675-1151, ext. 1045 or [rschinke@laurentian.ca](mailto:rschinke@laurentian.ca).

## Help is Here to Find a Summer Job!

By: **Maxine Langlois**  
Student Webmaster

The winter semester is quickly approaching its end, and most of you will be looking for a summer job here in Sudbury, your hometown or maybe even somewhere else. The benefits to having a summer job is that it allows you to work full time for up to 4 months in the summer without interfering with your studies, or for those of you taking summer courses, it helps you to pay for some of your school related expenses.

Let's face it, upon graduation; the big thing that employers are looking for is experience. As students, it can be difficult to acquire this experience and that's why finding good summer employment in your field of study or a field of interest is important.

The process for your summer job search can take a lot of time and effort but in the end, it is worth it. You can never begin too early to start researching and planning for your summer job or internship. A lot of employers have been sending out notices for openings for the summer since December!

First of all, you should choose a field of work that interests you. In order to help you make this choice, some of the following question might help guide you in the right direction:

- What am I really interested in?
- Do I want to use this time for career related experience or just for fun?
- Do I want to live at home or near school? Do I want to travel and be independent? How much money do I need to make?
- How much time (weeks, hours, days) do I want

to work?

Next, a good thing to do is a self-analysis of yourself in order to determine what you have to offer an employer? What kind of skills do you have? What kind of other work have you done — paid or volunteer? What have you learned at school that might be useful in your ideal summer job?

This will help you for the next step which is considered your personal marketing tool to prospective employers: your resume and cover letter. This will allow you to put forth a very professional image if you present a professional-looking resume to potential employers. There are various resources available to assist you in this important step. Various websites offer advice and tips, as well as here on campus we have a resource library and workshops to help you with resumes, cover letters and interviews.

Employers want motivated individuals who are going to arrive to work on time, have a positive attitude, work hard, work well with others, show leadership qualities, work their full shift, and do the best job they can. You need to show your employer that you are a good investment, both for the current position, as well as for any potential future positions. This is your opportunity to give them a positive impression of you as a resource to their company.

Next, it is time to start looking for potential jobs. The best places to look for jobs are: here on campus at the Placement Centre (L-210), we have numerous job boards in and around our office, the Placement Centre website (<http://www.laurentian.ca/placement>), other websites, Local merchants, corporate offices, municipal government, your local HRDC office, and newspa-

per ads.

The Placement Centre is an on-campus service to students to help with employment related issues. Our website has information concerning "Government Opportunities", the Work-Study program, and other opportunities and events being held on campus. Our job board is now linked with Workopolis, Canada's National job board for students.

Hopefully, these tips encourage you to start looking for summer employment!

For more information about the Placement Centre website and Workopolis questions, please contact:

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# For Your Entertainment

## Passion of the Christ Not Marred by "Hollywood"

By: Sergio Rene Rodriguez-Jimenez  
Lambda Contributor

I cannot recall the last time I waited in line or an hour to watch a movie... "The passion" had a lot of publicity surrounding religious controversy, which is a very effective way to promote a movie (witness the success of "El Crimen del Padre Amaro" which depicted a priest engaged in unholy behaviour, denounced by the Catholic church, which drove hordes to watch the movie in a mostly catholic nation). After watching the movie, I can tell that all the controversy was undeserved, which is usually the case in religious matters.

I am agnostic, so I do not believe in the Bible as the word of God (or inspired by God). It is a book written by the Jews under different historical circumstances, and shows a good deal of barbaric acts shown as blessed by the almighty, and also has passages of great beauty and wisdom. I do believe the Bible is worth reading, but not under the spell of any dogma. This "unbelief" of mine however does not preclude me to appreciate a work of art inspired on ideas I do not share. Kundun is a magnificent movie, although I don't believe Tibetans are any special (read the latest National Geographic article on Tibet, where is mentioned the widespread sexual abuse on Tibetan monasteries). Art has no boundaries, and can create beauty on all ideas human and complex.

I am totally biased towards historical movies (as some readers of these unreadable Reviews might have noticed). My heart literally warms whenever I am treated to a movie that takes the effort to be authentic in the historical context, or on the description of historical events. One of my favourites of all times "Ridicule" has all the elements dearest to me: accurate historical context, intelligence and the depictions of real events that improved the life of many. Other fine examples come to mind, like "Mrs Brown" and "Barry Lyndon". Recently I saw an excellent movie on a historical subject, the Spanish "Mad Love", where the destiny of Europe was affected by the sentimental vagaries of the royal families

of Spain and Austria. But my enjoyment was diminished by the movie showing people speaking Spanish even in Brussels (we should listen Flemish), and then you start questioning the whole integrity of the story.

I was of course thrilled to hear Aramaic and Latin in this movie. There we have an initial starting point for a genuine work of realism, which continues with the physical appearance of the characters (Jews look reasonably Jewish, no blue-eyed

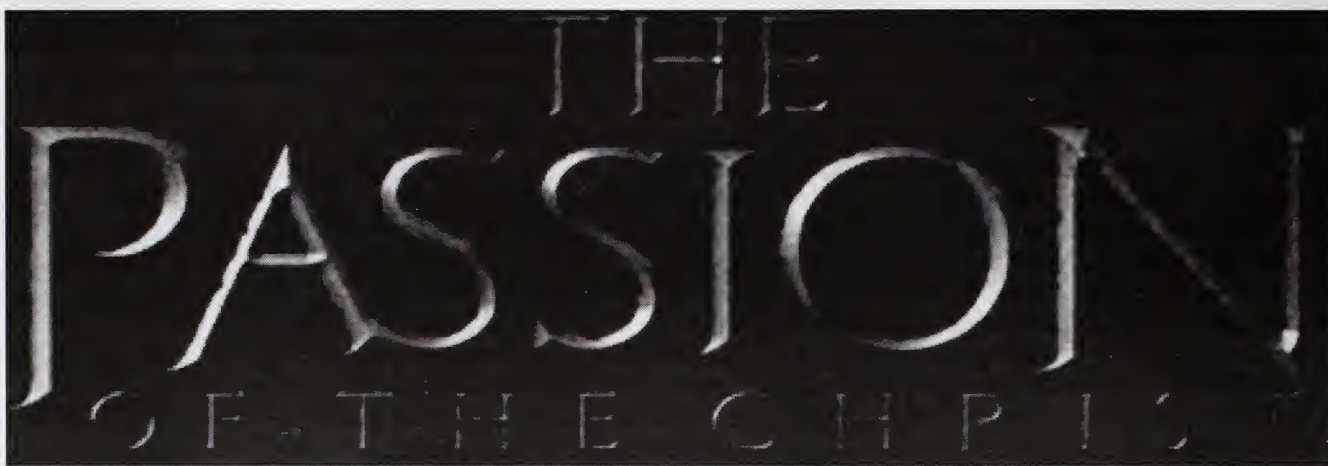
look of what is valuable on the teachings of that radical: Jesus. From here on, stop reading if you have not seen the movie, I will mention very specific aspects of it.

### After watching the movie

Maybe some of the enjoyment of this movie depends on our knowledge of the four gospels. Mr Gibson thinks that everyone knows these very well, that is why his original plan was to screen the movie without subtitles (luckily he changed his mind). Three examples of this: The iconography always focuses on Jesus lashings, carrying the cross and being crucified as its main moments of pain. This movie has plenty of that, including a very impres-

sive lashing technique using razors, where we see flesh literally flying from Jesus back. But supposedly his moment of biggest pain was in Getsemani the night before, where his strength falters to the extent that he almost cannot bear it, asking God to spare him (let me pass this chalice, or something, perhaps not according to King James version exact words). This is actually the moment of "The Passion", when he is suffering for all of our sins, where he sweats blood, and Satan tries to make him trip in his moment of greatest test.

Probably my favourite scene is when Jesus draws a line in the dust, and then we see the priests and people dropping their stones. What we do not see is that here he challenges the first one to be free of sin to throw the first stone, as stoning according to the Mosaic Law punished adultery. The wisdom of this challenge is unbeatable. Apparently it was customary to break the leg bones of crucified people in Roman times, probably to ensure their death. According to the Bible, the messiah would die for us, but his bones will never be broken. The lamb sacrificed as a symbol of this, could never have broken bones. The Roman soldiers do not break Jesus legs. The very last scene, the resurrection, is another big plus. No radiant angels or great rays of thundering light. Very understated and classy. Any feedback is highly appreciated.



Jesus here, Romans look convincingly Italic). This together with a very discreet showing of the miraculous powers of Jesus, made the movie a journey to that time and place (already worth paying 12 bucks).

The Satan character was simply marvellous. A cloud of coldness chilling to the bone surrounded his gravitas. Many of the scenes in the movie reminded me details of a Bosch painting, showing the bestiality of the human character, or those Da Vinci drawings where he revels in mankind ugliness.

As for the gore controversy, I witnessed an old couple abandoning the theatre faced to some of the first gruelling scenes. Not to surprise anyone who knows a bit of history. For some reason, the ones in charge to enforce brutality have a consistent tendency to go beyond their duty, for no extra pay (a real riddle for the Economics science). The movie keeps a fine balance between Jesus, the son of God that came to redeem humanity, and the human being, who had a mother, and friends whom he loved deeply. No one sane can avoid being deeply moved by the reaction of a mother witnessing the immolation of her son. As is obvious this far, I strongly recommend this movie, probably the best in the subject so far (barring probably Zeffirelli's which I have not seen).

Not marred by "Hollywood", The Passion of the Christ is a beautiful work that inspires us to

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## Thorneloe University Theatre Presents The Physicists

Thorneloe University Theatre will present The Physicists by Friedrich Duerrenmatt in a new translation by Prof. H. Ulrich Sikora, professor of theatre arts at Thorneloe. The play will be presented on March 11, 12, 13, 17, 18, 19 and 20 at 8 p.m., and on Sunday, March 14, at 2 p.m., in the Thorneloe University Theatre, located on the Laurentian University Campus. Wednesday, March 17, will be a 'tweenie night.' This production is directed by H. Ulrich Sikora, Jenny Hazelton and Teresa Kasepчук.

Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and seniors. They can be purchased at Thorneloe University, Black Cat Too International, Stage and Street, and Laurentian University Bookstore. The Physicists is a fascinating blend of black comedy and psychological thriller. This clever comedy was written in 1961, when concern with nuclear devastation and the 'bomb' was

at its peak. Since then, much has changed in our world, but the deeper message of the play is as important as it was 40 years ago: the responsibility of the individual to society and the responsibility of the scientists for the possible misuse of their discoveries.

The play takes place in "les Cerisiers," a mental institution for the upper class, presided over by Dr. Mathilde von Zahnd, a world renowned psychiatrist, whose correspondence with C.G. Jung has just been published.

Among her patients are three physicists: Herbert Georg Beutler, who believes he is Sir Isaac Newton; Ernst Heinrich Ernesti, who thinks he is Albert Einstein; and Johann Wilhelm Moebius, who has visions of King Solomon. When the nurses assigned to take care of these patients are murdered and the police arrive to investigate, a tragicomedy unfolds with an unexpected twist.



# THE AMIABLE LIBRARIAN

This column is based upon remarks on the Compliments / Questions / Suggestions sheets located near the exit of the J.N. Desmarais Library as well as on input from library staff as they react to student concerns. If you would like to get in touch with the Amiable Librarian, email [Lambda@laurentian.ca](mailto:Lambda@laurentian.ca)

**Question:** Several years ago, the university undertook an energy saving programme and installed sensors in most of the buildings, including the library.

As a student, I have found that it is especially annoying to study in the library while the light turns itself off every three minutes. And I have observed that other students often found that it is impossible to read in the library because they have to move around once every so often to turn the lights back on. This is very distracting to many library users.

Eric Tsang

**Answer:** Thank you for drawing this problem to the library's attention. You are right: the light sensors have been operational for a number of years now—12 to be exact. When they were first put in, the sensors created a number of problems, including in staff washrooms which only accommodate one person at a time. You would be doing your thing and all of a sudden the lights would go out. The only way to prevent this was to keep moving, not always an easy task.

At the time, the library asked the electricians to ratchet the sensors up to maximum in these washrooms, and since then they have never gone off (at least when someone has been in the room). Now this solution has been adopted in the main reading areas, so you should never experience the problem again, Eric. If you do, let the Amiable Librarian know and the library will have the sensors removed completely.

**Question:** Would it be possible to have the computer send an email when our books are late? I have grown dependent on the phone calls and was hoping that this reminder would not be completely lost.

Sven

**Answer:** Yes it would. In fact that's what the library has been doing since January. The reason that you may not have received any which have been sent to you is that the Circulation folks do not have your correct email address. Please make sure they do. (And yes, no more phone calls. Much to my dismay, as I was always a fan of its name, the system known as "BigMouth" has been officially retired.)

**Question:** Would it be possible to connect all the Laurentian libraries together so we could return books belonging to Desmarais at the U. of S. library? This would be much more convenient for those of us who take most of our classes in another location.

Maureen

**Answer:** Sadly no. The Amiable agrees—it would be great if campus libraries could set up a shuttle service among them. Regrettably, resources preclude such an initiative. You may have noticed that Desmarais' hours are longer this term and this is because it has chosen to hire staff to stay longer between Sunday and Thursday nights.

Unfortunately, it can't afford to support every good idea. (And just so you know, the library is now being pressured to stay open longer on Friday and Saturday nights and if it can squeeze any more money out of the powers that be, then its priority will be longer hours).

**Question:** Can you please place "Silence" posters on each table. The library has become terribly noisy.

Pierre

**Answer:** The library has placed a work order with Physical Plant to install Silence signs on the end of stacks. Previously when it placed Silence posters on tables, they didn't last very long. It seems people just can't resist taking things as souvenirs which can be used as constant reminders to be quiet. Any other suggestions you have for making the library a quieter place are welcomed.

**Question:** The Brenda Wallace Reading Room seems to have become a place to sleep and cuddle your girlfriend. There is no space anymore for those of who want to read quietly. Can you help?

A. Cairns

**Answer:** As a general rule, the Amiable doesn't mind when folks sleep in the library. As you imply, when people are sleeping, anyone who is awake nearby tends to keep quiet. Cuddling may be a different matter. But can the library help? Actually no. The BWRR is a gift from the Wallace family and they continue to control the various policies about room use.

As a suggestion for finding a quiet reading area, find a friend and reserve one of the library's study rooms together. Or, you could read downstairs in the archives, where it is usually very quiet. Then, if even that doesn't work, the Amiable is confident you can use your imagination to find somewhere else on campus where quiet reading can be done.

**Question:** More of the photocopies should be programme to print double-sided. Most of them have this function but I could find only one that was actually set up to copy on both sides. Think of the trees!!

Janice

**Answer:** The Amiable agrees with you Janice but the photocopiers are not the library's responsibility but rather that of the Director of Services. The administration office has forwarded your concern to the D. of S. and hopefully the sensible change you need will be implemented soon.

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## Laurentian University Engineering Students Win Canada Mining Games

Laurentian University's School of Engineering continued its domination of the Canadian Mining Games with its fourth championship title in the last six years.

Hosted over the February 19-22 weekend by the University of Alberta, in Edmonton, the 2004 Canadian Mining Games enabled students from ten Canadian universities to meet and compete. Each school sent 12 of their top mining students to the competition.

Awaiting the winner was the title of "Top Mining/Metallurgy Students in Canada." The following events were part of the competition: mine rescue, mineral processing design, tailings dam failure, jackleg drilling, mine design, rock mechanics, blasting, surveying, ventilation and a problem set. Laurentian University excelled in equipment handling, mine

design, mechanical design, mine rescue and surveying. Laurentian placed high in events requiring small groups of people and excelled in the team-inclusive events. They secured an over-all victory over strong teams from the Universities of Alberta, Saskatchewan and McGill.

The members of the Laurentian team include: Colin Pegues, James Kellestine, Jay Rutledge, Alain Chénard, Dustin Vandorseleare, Jason Cooke, Nathan Bourgeault, Fabien Melo, Ken Tawana, Dan Falcioni, Sylvain Brunet and Dave Duffy.

Laurentian University has an impressive record with five gold, five silver and one bronze in the 14-year history of the Canadian Mining Games. It has the best overall record at the competition since its launch.



# March Movie Series

Fridays in March, the Students' General Association (SGA/AGE) invites students and the community to screenings of some of this year's festival favourites. Nominated for various awards, these special pre-video releases will be presented in room C-309 on the Laurentian campus starting at 8pm.

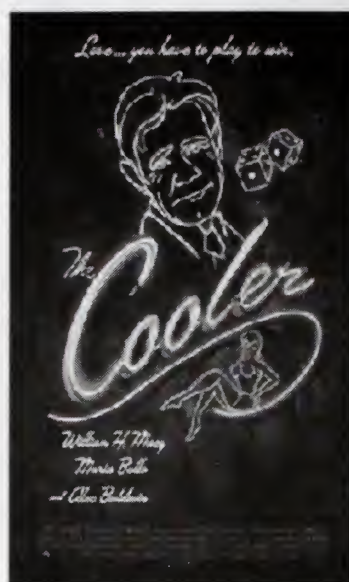
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